

Notice of Public Meeting of a Public Body

Sections 7.6, 7.7.4 and 7.9.1

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING OF THE

Governor's Forest Health OVERSIGHT COUNCIL

Pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38-431, notice is hereby given to the members of the Forest Health Oversight Council and to the general public that the **Forest Health Oversight Council** will hold a meeting open to the public:

Thursday, April 13, 2006

9:30 AM to Noon

**County Supervisors Association - 1905 West Washington Street, Suite 100
Phoenix, AZ**

- 1) Call to order
- 2) Welcome new members, **Ben Hershey**
- 3) Review and vote on minutes from the **2.9.06** meeting – **Notes approved with revision.**
- 4) Subcommittees
 - a. Reports
 - i. Utilization & Commerce - Vacant
No report, we are still looking for a chair. Dusty Moller was suggested
 - ii. Zoning & Implementation - Mayor Joe Donaldson
Not present
 - iii. Legislation - Lori Faeth
Not present at the time
 - iv. Education - Michael Neal
Next meeting for the subcommittee is April 17th. They met last month and finalized talking points among the agencies. A consistent message will be posted on AZ211 the emergency management line. Steve Campbell is working on locating a model CC&R. The committee recommends that we promote the relationship between forest health and watershed protection. This would be the avenue for engaging the urban populations of Phoenix and Tucson. Todd Schulke asked that the group avoid attributing a relationship between forest restoration and water yield.
 - v. Mapping - Barron Orr
No meetings last month. There are many efforts underway that rely on and need geospatial data. Barron asked Lori to help coordinate a meeting between the various Governor's Councils and initiatives (Virtual Water University, Exotics Council, Climate Change etc) to coordinate activity and identify similar information needs.
 - vi. 20 Year Strategy - Ethan Aumack
Diane presented the update. On May 15th the core 20 Year Strategy Team will meet in Flagstaff to design and write the first draft of the document. Information about the 20 year Strategy will be put on the State Forester's website.
- 5) Report and discussion of recommendations from the Governor's Forest Health Summit 2006- Lori Faeth
Governor thought it was good summit. Council reviewed recommendations. Tom Klabunde mentioned that Arizona Fire Map and the 20 year strategy were discussed at a regional Forest Service meeting in Albuquerque.
- 6) Review and Approval of 2006 Oversight Council Recommendations- Diane Vosick
The Council reviewed each recommendation. Members were asked to send changes/corrections to Diane by Friday 12p. New members need to be added to the recommendations.

- 7) Should the Council write a letter endorsing or commenting on the rule proposed by the Corporation Commission on Renewable Energy Standards- Steve Gatewood or Rob Davis
Diane agreed to contact Rob and Steve to determine if the Council can write a letter to the Corporation Commission.
- 8) Status of response from the Attorney General concerning county enforcement authorities- Kirk Rowdabaugh
Kirk has spoken to the AG's office. To get a letter signed by the AG will take longer than anticipated. Kirk will call back and ask for a decision by May 11th.
- 9) Future meeting dates and locations
 - a. May 11, 2006, -County Supervisors Building, Phoenix
Jack Metzger asked that we evaluate the relationship of state subsidies for thinning, Department of Corrections crews and their relationship to the viability of small businesses. Discussion ensued about whether or not Department of Corrections crews take away business opportunities from the private sector. Darrell Willis pointed out that these crews make fuels reductions work possible in places where they could not be done due to cost. The Council agreed to consider this issue at a future meeting.
- 10) Call to the Public
- 11) Adjournment -**11:16a**

Dated this 21th Day of April - Governor's Forest Health Oversight Council

CO-CHAIRS

Diane Vosick – Ecological Restoration Institute, NAU
Rep. Tom O'Halleran – Arizona House of Representatives

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